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ANOTHER PIECE OF BUNGLING.

proposed rebate on the water-puren contract can hardly be imagined. Incarcely be credited, so unbusinesslike were the methods they disclosed. As it now appears, the Dravo-Doyle lace water-pumps in the New Pump-House, while another firm bld about awarded, the Philadelphia manager of the former firm wrote to Engineer of \$1,000 if his bid, with certain modiscations, was accepted. The nature of the proposed modifications was not made public, nor was the text of the letter given out until vesterday. The Doyle Company was accepted, with the disavows authority for the letter and

Every feature of the transaction is as we understand, competitive bidding, while aiming to secure the best work t the lowest figure, is intended to insure fair treatment for all competicertainly failed to do this. The Dravo-Doyle Company was given an advantage over other competitors, and "cerrival firm, were allowed to figure in bids which were thought to be equitable and fair to all,

In its acceptance of the Dravo-Dovle bld, the committee, we presume, cas really saving money to the city. But good intentions led to a bad end. They accepted a bid, it appears, at a only confirms our belief that the verfixed figure, with nothing but the signature of a branch manager of the firm to guarantee the rebate. Naturally enough, when the manager had successful highwaymen or fungish a one authority to make such an offer, the fruitful field for similar exploits in Drave-Doyle Company wants the con-

rehate was considered as a bribe by any one, or that it was accepted in any city's money. At the same time, such competition in municipal awards, and, to say the least, they indicate methods which are bungling and unbusi-

Virginia had hoped that the Lee statue incident was closed. It offered tion day,

its gift in sincerity, and believed that generous men in the North understood the spirit that prompted it. Every indication pointed to the correctness of this opinion, and led many editors to rejoice in new tokens of a reunited America.

But now comes the Indianapolis Star Star has discovered that Lee's statue. when placed in the hall, was draped with a United States flag, and it delivers itself thus upon the subject:

"Veterans of the Civil War who fought for the flag to which Lee was disloyal will be shocked at this and alsposed to regard it as a direct and intentional insult to all men who loved and were faithful to the Union, but perhaps that is not the way to look at it. Does not the choice of the Stars and Stripes as drapery for the affirm.

such base taunts pass unnoticed. No such twaddle represents the sentiments of the majority at the North, No mination,

to-day. Instead of feeling a "secret looks upon it with more pride and place, love as the years go by. The Lee of 1909 stands even higher in public veneration than did the Lee of 1865. It was this general opinion, this love

the statue is concerned, this seemed to us a happy emblem of peace. When the banner of a reunited Union was placed in love about the hero of the Confederacy we thought it could leave only this impression on the country at large. We still believe that this before the roseate imaginings of Mr. The Salem story will require confirmation almost as "strong damond-back terrapin, has now the produced more cheaply! Then before the roseate imaginings of Mr. The Salem story will result demonstration of the truth of the Salem man's botanical accomplishment is forticoming there will be a general suspicion that he has been "joshing," entire North will honor Lee, as its 400 pounds of roe ready for pickling. greatest and best men have already. When that day dawns; when the Louisville Courier Journal,

hooted down by an honorable North.

Two points in particular are urged by these jurymen. First, that The Timesthese Jurymen. First, that The Times-Dispatch upon imperfect information expressed its own opinion and not that of the community, and; secondly, that by using the word "contrived" this paper meant to convey the impression tasty. However, given great shouls Attorney "schemed and plotted" with the mighty sturgeon, the craft of the deliberate design to let off men who fishmonger and the insatiate craving deserved punishment. As to the lat- alike of the plutocratic American and ter allogation, it is sufficient to say poverty-stricken Mujik, may make that the complainants would do well streams of gold where now the unto read The Times-Dispatch of Au- practiced eye sees only mud. Wheregust 10, in which we take pains to spe- fore hurran for the sturgeon! Banzai cifically state that in using the word for Acipenser sturio! Skoal to Mr. "contrive" we meant to convey the Knowles, and caviar for the millions! idea that a lamentable miscarriage of puting any corrupt intentions.

As to the evidence of the case and the instructions, The Times-Dispatch is perfectly familiar with both. Under those instructions the jury feit that they could find the defendants guilty of assault and battery, for they did in fact bring in such a verdict, Furthermore, under the instructions the jury feit that they could find the defendants guilty of assault and battery, for they did in fact bring in such a verdict, Furthermore, under the instructions at the contained in a perturbation which a New Orleans and Issue.

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Kic thermore, under the instructions the jury was authorized to confine the defendants in the county jail for a term in its discretion if in the opinion of the jury the defendants were guilty of assault and battery.

How or the new or teams plantation of the proverb—has brought against the Times-Democrat, It would appear from his brief, but Hole?"—Puck.

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He couldn't even propose to moving spirit in a publishing concern which had sought to take advantage of the backing, which and sought to take advantage of the backing, which are the proverb—has brought against the times-Democrat, It would appear from his brief, but And That Makes the Difference.

"He couldn't even propose to he's too bashful."

"Yes, but he married."

"Yes, but he married a widow."

\$50 in the other, although the sworn matter was taken up in the Council testimony showed that one of the deof one of the young ladles and took understanding that the rebate would from her finger a ring, which was Yested, while the other defendant redemands full payment of the contract ceived from the hands of the other young lady a necklace, which was likewise found on him at the time of his open to criticism. In the first place, arrest. It is true that the Commonwealth's witnesses swore that they were not under the duress of physical alone saved the defendants from con-Let us admit that the evidence would not support a conviction for blackmail ed guilt enough to make the fine imno quarrel. But further consideration mentable affair. If the public parks in and about Richmond are resorts for assault and battery the law must make them softe or admit its impotence.

Who is the nominee for Commission incidents leave a bad impression on can give a positive answer. Brown's the public mind. They discourage early lead was rapidly reduced-he thus far reported-and Koiner showed unexpected strength in slowly-reporting counties. But what is the result? The election was held fifteen days ago, but its outcome is as much in doubt as it was at midnight of elec-

This state of affairs calls for some explanation. No matter how close the vote, the figures should have been known within a week, and the official returns should have been reported from all the counties some days

have been met with in gaining a final count—a thousand things may have happened. But what has happened, and what is the explanation of this long delay?

We do not believe that any answer can be given to these questions at this late day that will satisfy the people. look if Brown is defeated, after his splenand Stripes as drapery for the effigy did run, some of his supporters will of this 'favorite son' indicate rather conclude that he was "counted out." did run, some of his supporters will of this 'favorite son' indicate rather it secret shame felt by present-day Virginians over his course?" conclude that he was "counted out." If Koiner loses, his supporters will If Koiner loses, his supporters will want to know what became of his lead. All of this will furnish fine sport to the Republicans, and will give them a delightful morsel for campaign ru-Perhaps it might be better to let want to know what became of his liberal Southerner will believe that to the Republicans, and will give them

Northerner who supports patriotism of the primary is not to be legalized, with sense will imagine that Virginia the State Committee should adopt of to-day intends either to insult the some rule that will put an end to North of the past, or that Virginia of this uncertainty. It should enjoin on to-day is ashamed of the Virginia of the county committees to report their returns by a given day, or else to for-All that Lee did was approved and felt their vote in the primary. If the is approved by every man in the South primary is legalized, similar rules should be adopted. Something must be shame" over his course, the South done before another primary takes

CAVIAR FOR MILLIONS,

If the plans of Horace G. Knowles, former minister to Roumania, Servia for Virginia's greatest son after Wash. and Montenegro, reach full fruition ington, that prompted the State to the dwellers on our great rivers place the great Confederate in the will reap boundless wealth. In niche next to Washington, rather than a word, Mr. Knowles is preparing to another of the great host of Virginia's create a fabulously profitable industry by placing a large consignment of So far as draping the flag about sturgeon fry in Delaware River. That the statue is concerned, this seemed simple statement spells wealth for will be the case, and that Virginia's Knowles looms the bright prospect of sentiment will be appreciated. Indeed, American rivers teeming with sixwe even anticipate a time when the year-old sturgeon each of which has

done. But that day will come only American sturgeon learns to bear roe when such ungenerous and partisan as his Danublan brother does; when narrowness as that of the Star is the cost of living goes down and the

less a limp and languishing industry may prove to be all that Mr. Knowles's Nine of the jurors who brought in fancy paints it. Somehow the fact the verdict in the Lakeside case have that 400 pounds of sturgeon roe, when joined in a protest to The Times-Dis- transformed to caviar, is worth \$2,800 patch, printed elsewhere on this page. in Bucharest, does not assure us of the soundness of the scheme.

A UNIQUE DAMAGE SUIT.

Roosevelt's Spelling and New Orleans

Assault and battery.

Yet the jury contented itself with the farcical procedure of bringing in a fine of \$100 in the one instance and \$50 in the other, although the sworn printed and were ready for sale when President Tatt coolly issued an order that the United States language, in official correspondence, should be spelled in the good old way.

This order was made the basis of a cartoon by the Times-Democrat, as we

gather the facts. It must have been a pared became practically a drug on the market.

fendants in a great many remarkable damage suits, but this is the most The substantial in justice of it is shown by the fact the real offender is the President the United States.

While that suit instigated by continuous c

President against the New York is pending, why not equalize things by starting another against his successor, and give the newspapers a chance;—

A CHANCE FOR LITERARY HACKS.

When Rich Women Want to See Them-

welves in Print.
Women of wealth and fashion are going in strong for literature. A few months ago an English duchess (American born) appeared in one of the double-decker reviews with an article English Nobility, in Quest of Novelty on a most abstruce subject, most ab-strusely written. It was evidently based on widespread and intelligent research and profound thinking. Only the other day the daughter of the richy and touchingly of motherhood.

proportunity for the graph of the sum of business to deal with editors he can make a fortune. As the fashion grows, and the number of millionalresses, duchesses, controlled the sum of the

nd generally do the drudgery work which always hangs so like a dead weight on the soul of genius and real literary competence. If he is attentive and studious he may catch the style of his employers and so improve his own. It is conceivable that by this course he might really develop. his own. It is conceivable that by this course he might really develop a power of his own and become a real artist. But, of course, he could never

VINELESS POTATOES. Rival of Burbank Claims to Grew New

periments, and "the bulbs have grown to the size of large hen eggs without showing the sign of a sprout, but are clear and white and growing rapidly."

Verily this Ohio farmer who has produced topless tubers is a plant wizard of the first magnitude and Luther Burbank may well look to his learners. Burbank may well look to his laurels—and his potatoes also. The Burbank potato pales into insignificance alongside the vincless creation of the Ohio

The advantages of the Salem pro-duct are such as will commend them-selves to every truckgrover. The farmer no longer will dread the anfarmer no longer will dread the annual depredations of the pestiferous potato bug; there will be less apprehension of the effects of early frosts; the labor of gathering the crop will be minimized and the absence of vines will remove many possibilities of destruction or damage to the growing tubers. The wineless potato will be easier to cultivate and with proper attention the product, no doubt, will be superior to the old-fashioned ciliorescent variety. tention the product, no doubt, will be superior to the old-fashioned cillores-cent variety.

This is an instance, however, where

or that some highly imaginative correspondent has evolved a vegetable take. However, this may be the news from Salem will not be without interest to scientists and potato growers.—

Borrowed Jingles.

Suppose a Rake of narrow brain
Shoots down another unawara—
You may be sure the man's heane—
That is, if he's a Millionaire.

Yet, if he resis a little time, The Court may hold him free as air, Quite sound of mind and clean of crime Of course, if he's a Millionaire.

Don't wreck a Hank, by any chance, Unless you have the cash to spare; A Mitigating Circumstance It is to be a Millionaire.

No weak excuses will avail
The Paid Chaufeur-but who will dare
For Speed or Homicide to jail
A bona fide Millionaire?

So take my counsel-there's no fee-Whatever charge is yours to bear, Just Interpose the simple pleat: "Your Henor, I'm a Millionaire!" -Puck.

MERELY JOKING.

Scientific Farming.

"Si Whiffletree believes in scientific farming."

"What's he done?"

"Hired a quartet to sing and two actors from a rural play to talk dialect. He's simply turning away the summer boarders."

Pittsburg Post.

Just the Distinction.

Knicker: "Can you tell a mushroom from a toadstool?"

Bocker: "Cartainly; it is whichever one it isn't."—New York Sun.

Litte Nephew (who has an inquiring mind): "Uncle Hank, what is the rest of the old saying about man's proposing: 'Man proposes and'—what?"
Bachelor Uncle: "Oh, man proposes whon woman so disposes, and a little later the divorce court exposes. And there you are, Rolle!"—Puck,

"He couldn't even propose to a woman-he's too bashful."
"Nonsense! He's married."
"Yes, but he married a widow."—Cleveland Leader.

"Don't you think envy is a terrible thing?" said the carnest girl.
No." answered Miss Cayenne. "Not if it's the envy of some one else for something you possess."—Washington Star.

Enough Room for Him "So you don't care for bathing?"
"Too much of a crush, don't you know."
"Well, it would be nice if we could have
individual oceans."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

MENTIONED IN PASSING.

THE "Progressive Democrats" are getting busy in New York. Progressive Democrats are those who are endeavoring to ascertain just how long the Democratic party can stay out of office without starving to death.—Houston Post.

Georgia declined to make it a felony for a woman to ride a-straddle. Thus another legislative hobby goes to the junk heap.— Washington Herald.

If that man in Virginia who is suing the tobacco trust for \$1,200,000 damages wins his case we are sorry for the smokers of 5-cent clgars in future.—Savannah Press.

The man who asks God to direct the de-iberations of the United States is paid only 1,000 a year but, judging from the results are gets, that's about \$550 too much.—Puck. The New England shoe trade is jubilant

over the free-hide victory and reports that ther, is no likelihood of lower-priced foot-wear this year. Such is tariff revision for the consumer.—New York World.

Missouri has a law which forbids bringing the dead to life. Perhaps that is the reason we have heard so little lately of Folk's candidacy for the presidency.—Washington Post.

Play old Game in New Way.

A society that has exhausted all the est man on earth wrote most eloquent- going barefoot is a custom as old as who ordinarily wear shoes. The cult of unshod feet has on various occasions been preached for medicinal purposes; the disciples of Father Kneipp a few years ago made a great ado over it. Playing croquet with bare feet, which is what "smart" people are said to be

course, be willing to pay good, stiff prices to be relieved of the trouble of dealing direct with editors.

Moreover, there is a further opportunity. If the literary agent demonstrates his competence his fair clients may employ him to do research work, gather facts, read and digest books and generally do the drudgery work the contact with the great of the second o contact with the grass is soothing the contact with the grass is soothing to the tired mind might be settled, one would fancy, without any reference whatever to croquet. To go barefoot might well be a constitutent part of the artificially simple life which so many great authorities commend. It might be considered in the same category as sleeping out of doors or lying in a wet bathing suit in the sand. There must be thousands of people who would be benefited by going barefoot— There must be thousands of people who would be benefited by going barefoot—not because the process is actually soothing to the nerves, but because the novetly would divert them from painful thoughts; on the principle of similia similibus curantur, for the stones are sharp and the grass cuts the unaccustomed foot.—Providence Journal.

SOME YALE SPELLING.

Students in Sociology Make New Re-There was an exercise among the students in sociology at Yale, in which

250 essays were written and 443 words

misspelled. Such havoc is appalling. It shows how unsafe it is to depend upon knowledge and mental discipline for good spelling. There is that word privilege—how often is it twisted out of shape. These students, profound in economics and sociology, had it prevalege, privilege, and other desperate ways, if there were any. Think of it—sixty-six of them wrote it commission; fifty-six spelled it controll, and fifteen insisted upon concent. That good word separate was tortured many times. The e slips in so easily. The two words relieve and receive raised a constant disturbance, for whether the e came before the 1 or the i before the e, was a question, whose solution one is apt to jump at. These sare the words one has learned pretty well how to spell, but when the doubt obtrudes, one is lost beyond all saving. The professor who tells of these mistakes does so to insist that knowing how to spell should be made one of the requirements for a college entrance. It is absurd to insist that a person must know geometry and Latin before he can enter college when he is unable to spell words that are in common use. The professor insist that a spelling should be taught more effectively down in the elementary schools, and it would be, he thinks, if the colleges of study were not crowded with too many branches.—Ohlo State good spelling. There is that word and it would be, he thinks, if the courses of study were not crowded with too many branches.—Ohio State Journal,

and Queen at Sandringham Hall, and have removed all their belongings from the cottage to Frogmore, which is from heneeforth to be their principal country residence. They have had many country seats under consideration, with a view both to lease and to purchisse. But not one of them offers the same advantages as Frogmore. To begin with, it will cost the Prince of Wales nothing in purchase money, rent, or maintenance. It is within easy motoring distance of London. It is environed not only by beautiful gardens, but, moreover, stands in Windsor Forest, the most magnificent park in the United Kingdom. The forest affords some of the best shooting in the country, which is carefully preserved, and this will be at the disposal of the Prince, who is devoted to this particular form of sport; and it is within a stone's-throw of Windsor Castle, so that when called upon to take part in any state function there, without requiring apartments to be placed at their disposal at the castle. Frogmore House has been entirely returnished, redecorated and considerable with modern, up-to-date requirements. It was built by Queen Charments. It was built by Queen Charments of Country, and perhaps even more. Let the parties provide of the Riage Charles and the residence of her daughter, the Princess Augusta, who lived the residence of the marriage to George III., and was her favorite home. At her death it became the esidence of her daughter, the Princess mother, the Drincess here, indeed, that Queen Sharments of the Princes of the Princ child, the late Duke of Clarence, and it was generally supposed that Frog-more would become the residence of Princess Henry of Battenberg on Queen Victoria's death. King Edward, laterations were in progress at Windsor Castle, after his accession, and then turned it over to the Prince of Wales, who each year has become more attached to the place, and has inaugurated many improvements.

The house, which would appear a life was a general state of the county of th

liowever, used it for himself, while the alterations were in progress at Windsor Castle, after his accession, and then turned it over to the Prince of Wales, who each year has become more attached to the place, and has inaugurated many improvements.

The house, which would appear a very large and stately mansion, were it not for the fact that it is somewhat dwarfed by the neighborhood of Windsor Castle, is situated on a slight eminence, amidst very beautiful gardens, which were the special delight of Queen Victoria, and when living at Windsor Castle, would daily drive down to Frogmore on fine days, in order to transact all her business, the signing of state papers, the receiving of the prognore on fine days, in order to transact all her business, the signing of state papers, the receiving of the prognore on fine days, in order to transact all her business, the signing of state papers, the receiving of the prognore on fine days, in order to transact all her business, the signing of state papers, the receiving of the prognore on fine days, in order to transact all her business, the signing of state papers, the receiving of the prognore on fine days, in order to transact all her business, the signing of state papers, the receiving of the prognore on fine days, in order to transact all her business, the signing of state papers, the receiving of the prognore on fine days, in order to transact all her business, the signing of state papers, the receiving of the county will be continued to the signing of the prognore of the purpose of permanenty improving the road of the county of sit back and say that they do not be-level in issuing bonds or that dirt roads are good enough. Such excluses as that are not only hollow, but will not be accepted at this time, when every progressive farmer appreciates the tremendous advantage to be obtained in the function of the propose of the purpose of permanenty injurities.

It will not do for clizens of the county in itsel

Frogmore has been so much asso-clated in the minds of people with the beautiful mausoleum in which the re-mains of Queen Victoria and of her husband, the Prince-Consort, repose, that its name is associated with ideas husband, the Prince-Consort, repose, that its name is associated with ideas of death; an impression which is still further emphasized when it is recalled that another mausoleum at Frogmore contains the tomb of the Duchess of Kent. These mausoleums, however, are some distance from the house, which is not only extremely picturesque, but likewise very cheerful; in fact, as sunny and as bright a country house as one could wish during the greater part of the year.

With regard to Sandringham, the King and Queen will now be able to entertain much more extensively there than heretofore. For, not only will they have York Cottage at their disposal for their bachelor guests, but an entire mew story has been added

they have York Cottage at their dis-posal for their bacheior guests, but, an entire new story has been added to the main front of the house. The new main entrance stands on the op-posite side of the house to the old one, so that a considerable rearrange-ment of the interior has been nec-

Temple Newsam, one of the most retersting country seats in Yorkshire, and which figures in Sir Waiter Scott's popular novel. "Ivanhoe," under the name of "Templestowe," the preceptory of the Knights-Templar, is about to receive a chatelaine, through the marriage of its young owner, Edward Lindley Wood, to Lady Dorothy Onstow daughter of the Earl of Onslow. Lord Darnley, Regent of Scotland, and the Commonwealth's Attorney to brin

murder of his royal wife's favorite, Rizzio, was to meet with so tragic a death.

Early in the reign of Earl Darnley's son, King James I., Temple Newsam was bought by a London merchant of the name of ingram, whose heir was created Lord Irvine by Charles I. The last Lord Irvine dying at the end of the eighteenth century, bequeathed Newsam to his daughter, Lady Hertford, who played so notable and not altogether immaculate a role at the court of George IV. As her son was destined to inherit all the Hertford estates, she left Temple Newsam to his star, Lady William Gordon, who in turn left it to another sister, Mrs. Maynell. She, in accordance with the terms of the will of her father. Lord Irvine, caused her son and heir to assume the name and the arms of the Ingram family. This son married the daughter of the first Lord Hailfax, and she bequeathed the property on her demise, five or six years ago, to her nephew, Lord Hailfax's only son and heir. The entire property, especially the real estate in the city of Leeds, represents an income of about \$500, to 00 a year.

Temple Newsam itself was last rebuilt in the reign of Queen Elizabeth.

FATHER NEED NOT PAY.

The Courts of Europe

By La Marquise de Fontenoy.

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Frogmore, the Seat of the Prince of Wales.

Frogmore, the Seat of the Prince of Wales are leaving Sandringham, which will see but the Sandringham, which will see but Sandringham, which will see but the Allatax are not far a measure are giving up their residence there, be restored to its former use as bachelon of the Seat of Wales are leaving and Queen at Sandringham Hall, and have removed all their belongings from the cottage to Frogmore, which is to the Company.

STATE PRESS

Courtenay, slster of the Earl of Davon.

Lord Hullfax is still very good look-ing and as a boy was so handsome braid at Elon one of the masters addressed to him a number of Pointa, in Wilde, the suthor talks in language was the Allatax are not in the boy's check. And predicts that he boy's check and predicts that he boy's check wasn't there sufficient fraud to justify some other action, after it was determined that the girl in the case, what seed to him a number of Pointa, in Wilde Allatax are not in a measure are giving up their residence there, which is to be restored to its former use as bachelot to go into markers with a himsband whom she knew to go into markers with a himsband whom she knew to go into markers with a himsband whom she knew to go into makers of the Wasn't Here Sufficient from the boy's check,

Sir,-Our attention has been called

Sir,—Our attention has been called to your editorial of August 2, under title of "A Shock to Justice," and we feel that it is such an unwarranted attack that it should not be allowed to pass unnoticed.

From the context of the editorial it is easy to see that you are neither acquainted with the facts in the case nor the instructions given by the court. You did not even have a representative of your paper present during the trial; consequently we must assume that the information you received, which is nothing more than hearsay, is, therefore, not authentic.

The charge on which the prisonors stood trial was that of highway robbery, and under the instructions of the court to substantiate the charge it must have been committed by violence such is would leave the parties alleged to have been robbed, in fear of bodily harm.

The Commonwealth's witnesses tes-

to have been robbed, in the harm.

The Commonwealth's witnesses testified that no violence was used; that no threats were made either of bodily harm or injury to character; couse-quently there could be no verdict of highway robbery. But there was an injury to the statery, and harm or Injury to character; cousequently there could be no verdict of
highway robbery. But there was an
instruction on assault and battery, and,
believing that the accused should be
punished, the extent of which being
left to the jury, twelve of them decleded on the punishment meted to
those parties after hearing the evidence in the case and weighing the
matter carefully in the jury-room.

In the latter part of your editorial
you charge that "the Commonwealth's
Attorney and the jury have contrived
to permit a decision which shocks the
community's sense of justice and severely shakes confidence in the efficacy
of the jury system." We assume that

Lord Darnley, Regent of Scotland, and it was there that was born the Earl about a "miscarriage of justice," or Clear Darnley who was married to Mary Queen of Scots, and who, after the murder of his royal wife's favorite, Rizzio, was to meet with so tragic a death.

Early in the reign of Earl Darnley's son, King James I., Temple Newsam was bought by a London merchant of its based.

THOUGHT HIS WEALTH USELESS.

Kentuckian Would Not Burden His
Heles and Gave All to Church.
A Kentucky banker ded the other
day and left almost all of his million-dollar estate to church organizations of his native State, practically disinheriting the members of his family. So radical a departure from the usual was not made without an attempt at justification on the part of the testator. "The observations of a long life have taught me," he says in his will, "that inherited wealth is selden useful to the one inheriting." dom useful to the one inheriting it, while, on the other hand, with the blessings of God these benefactions will do untold good to thousands yet

unborn."

There is a curious mixture of wisdom and fallacy in this view of wealth. It is true, of course, that a made of inherited riches, and it would be a rather revolutionary principle on which to proceed that the wealth of the primary owner belongs to the State—for that is the socialism of this

Men of wealth owe great and bindup after the style of the wealthy. To heap up a great fortune and then compel members of the testator's family to start at the foot of the hill of life, as this Kentuckian did, is not the fulfilment of every obligation of wealth, any more than is the selfish withholding of riches and their restriction to a narrow circle of relatives, without thought of the general good. Inheritance taxes are the protest of society against this sort of greed. That is one extreme. The Kentucky view is the other. The golden mean is the discharge of every debt of justice and the keeping in mind every relation of life, the remote as well as near.—Kansas City Journal.

A PLUMBER IN A HURRY.

This Was Shown, With Other Wonders,

In Prisco Graft Clase.

Aside from the novelty of discovering a plumber in a hurry, interesting is the insight into the lay mind as to lawyers and judges in court trials disclosed in the examination of a talesman in the case against Pat Calhoun, the San Francisco grafter, whose case the San Francisco grafter, whose case they have called again. This is the colloquy between talesman and law-

Thomas Gainsford, plumber: "I have an opinion. I think that the attor-neys on both sides have too much lati-tude. There is a waste of time. Now the regular dinner hour is 60 minutes

the regular dinner hour is 60 minutes, while the dinner hour we had to-day was 102 minutes."

John J. Barrett: "Are you conscious of any bias in this case?"

Gainsford: "Only in the matter of this lost time. I would listen carefully to the evidence, if the case went along mitchly."

Barrett: "Would you continue to hold the presumption of innocence granted the defendant, no matter how long the trial lasted?"

Gainsford: "Oh, if I were chosen I would be up against it, and would be just no matter how long the trial was."

Langdon: "Which side do you blame

Langdon: "Which side do you blame for the delay in this trial?"
Gainsford: "Both sides, and the judge, too. If I were conducting a business I would hurry it through."
There is a deliberation—a waste of precious time—in court procedure—which is most exasperating to the man not familiar with it. There is an hour wasted in the marrier contains. hour wasted in the morning, another at noon, and a third at the tail end of the day, besides other wasteful lawyer lately returned from England expressed surprise at a criminal trial he attended in London, wherein the jury was selected and the trial brought to a conclusion in less than three hours. In almost any court in this country it would have required from three to five days. The law not only hedges the criminal with too many secondary but there are the country in the country it was the criminal with too many secondary and the third was the country in the co nany safeguards, but judges are too tolerant of the quibbling and other time-killing devices of lawyers. It is well, occasionally, to have the lay point of view, as we get it from the San Francisco plumber.—Rochester Horald

HARD ON THE SMOKERS.

Herald.

Strangers in Carolina Get Sunday Cigars, but Not the Natives.

"The Idler" in his interesting column in a recent issue of the Newberry Herald and News relates this illuminating incident in regard to one of the blue laws in force in another town:

"Over in Laurens they have a Sunday law that will not permit a resident to buy a cigar on Sunday, but a stranger or visitor can purchase such necessary supplies. A visitor was atthe hotel the other Sunday, and a citizen walked up and said to him: Buy me a quarter's worth of cigars. The visitor at first did not understand what his friend meant, but he bought the cigars and the resident gave him the quarter with which to pay for them."

From this it appears that in the town of Laurens not a cigar may be purchased by a citizen on Sunday. This seems to be carrying the Sabbath observance very near to the old Puritan standard. There are good people who think that smoking cigars is not only wastefully spending money for something injurious to health, but that it is sinful to a degree to consign all smokers at last to a place where they will smoke eternally in another way, and these good people may he right. But if it is their desire to deliver sinners from this evil, they should forbid the making, selling and smoking The native property seechally the real estatic in the city of Leeds, represents an income of about \$500.

Temple Newsam itself was last rebuilt in the reign of Queen Elizabeth. The red brick, which is always such secone almost coal black with age and with the grime of the neighboring city of Leeds, imparting to the mansion a rather tunereal, yet extremely impressive, appearance. Lord Beaconsinidal in his novel. "Shyl." describes it as "Marney Abbey." expatiating on the spienders of its long gallery, with its sponders of its long gallery, with its woonderful collection of paintings, and a coording particular attention to the spienders of its long gallery, with its sponders of the sponders of its long gallery, with its sponders of its long gallery, wi